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Docket No. P13451US

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 4, 5, 10-14 and 16-18 are currently pending in the present patent application. Reconsideration and allowance of the application is now respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Election/Restriction

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants confirm the election of claims 1-3, 4, 5 and 10-14 (Group I) and withdraw claims 6-9, 15 and 19 (Group II).

CONCLUSION

Claims 1-3, 4, 5, 10-14 and 16-18 are thus in condition for favourable action. If the Examiner would find that the further prosecution of the application would be facilitated by a telephone interview, the Examiner is hereby invited to call the undersigned at (514) 345-7891.

Respectfully submitted,

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